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PROCESS OF QUARTZ GLASS  
CRUCIBLE

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 16, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Support for the Amendments** begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.